| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Unique Pharma | | 16 25 | 12 78 | 7.02 |
| *PHENYLBUTAZINE* | T | | | |
| Themis Chemicals | | 15 00 | 13.24 | 4.93 |
| S.G. Chemicals | | 45 26 | 40.05 | 32.00 |
| Khothari Plantation | | 2.67 | 0.32 | .. |
| *PYRAZINAMIDE* | T | | | |
| Standard Organics | | 1.72 | 1 | — |
| Uni Sankyo | | 0.71 | 1.86 | 1 44 |
| Indo Pharma | | 0.19 | 1.24 | 1.37 |
| Morani Chemicals | | — | 0.11 | — |
| *TINIDAZOLE* | T | | | |
| Cadila Labs. | | 5.82 | 10.13 | 16.18 |
| Fairdeal | | 0.05 | 1.81 | 4.78 |
| Lyka Labs. | | 7.77 | 6.69 | 7.95 |
| Unique Chemicals | | 0.03 | — | — |
| Euphoric | | — | 0 05 | 0.70 |
| Metroni Drugs | | — | 3.75 | 6.82 |
| Morani Drugs | | — | — | 12.61 |

**Prices of Dexamethasone and ITS salts**

615. SHRI DAYANAND SAHAY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 16 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th July, 1987 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Dexamethazone and its salts are under price control under DPCO, 1987 and were also under price control under DPCO, 1979;

(b) what were the prices fixed by Government for Dexamethasone and each of its salts under DPCO, 1979 and under DPCO, 1987;

(c) whether it is a fact that this drug is being produced from penultimate stage since the last 25 years;

(d) what is the stage from which this drug is being produced at present;

(e) what is the foreign exchange involvement in the production of one Kg. of Dexamethasone;

(f) what are the prices at which decadron range of formulations are being sold at present and what were the prices fixed;

(g) whether it is a fact that the company is overcharging the prices of formulations; and

(h) if so, what action has been taken against the company?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The prices fixed under DPCO, 1979 are:

| | |
|---|---|
| Dexamethasone Pure | Rs. 51.30 per gram |
| Dexamethasone-21-Phosphate | Rs. 55.30 per gram |

No price has been fixed under DPCO, 1987.

(c) and (d) Details are given in the enclosed Statement (*See* below).

(e) This Ministry do not monitor such details.

(f) to (h) No price was fixed for these formulations under DPCO, 1979/87.

**Statement**

(c) and (d) Following companies are licensed to produce Dexamethasone and its salts from the stages indicated against each:

| Name of the Company | Stage of Manufacture as per Industrial Licence |
|---|---|
| 1. M/s. Merind Ltd. | Not specified. However Company ha reported production from imported in-s termediate 88.17 i.e. 16-Beta Methyl Triene. |
| 2. M/s. Infar (India) Limited | Required to take up cultivation of suitab le plan material. |
| 3. M/s. Hindustan Ciba-Geigy Ltd. (Dexamethasone Trimethyl Acetate) | Dexamethasone |
| 4. M/s. T.N. Dadha Pharmaceuticals Ltd. | Imported intermediate for a period of 2 years. Thereafter from indigenous Hecogenin/Diosgenin. |
| 5. M/s. Cadila Labs. | Based on imported inter mediate viz. 16-Beta Methyl Triene for a period of two years and from 3rd year onwards from indigenous Diosgenin/Hecogenin. |
| 6. M/s. Lupin Labs. | Intermediate stage for a period of 2 years and from 3rd year onwards from Diosgenin/Hecogenin. |

**Revision in the prices of Pyrazinamide and Ethambutol**

616. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Pyrazinamide and Ethambutol are used for the treatment of Tuberculosis;

(b) what was the mark up allowed on formulations of each under DPCO, 1979 and under DPCO, 1987;

(c) what are the packs and strengths under which each drug is marketed in the country;

(d) what are the packs and strengths for which Government have still to revise the price under DPCO, 1987; and

(e) what are the reasons for the delay in revising the prices and what action has been taken against those responsible for the delay in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The mark up allowed under DPCO, 1979 was 100 per cent in the case of leader formulation packs and 60 per cent in other cases. The MAPE for these